

# State of Tennessee

# **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 445**

## By Representative Cobb

#### and

# Senator Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Judith King Barth upon her meritorious tenure as Ms. Tennessee Senior America 2011.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected Representatives of the State of Tennessee should pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who have distinguished themselves as superlative Ambassadors for the Volunteer State, and

WHEREAS, Judith King Barth of Dayton, Tennessee, is most assuredly one such outstanding public servant deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Judith King Barth has served with acumen and integrity as Ms. Tennessee Senior America for 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Ms. Senior America Pageant, with which Ms. Tennessee Senior America is associated, is the world's foremost pageant to emphasize and give honor to women who have reached the "Age of Elegance." It is also a search for the gracious lady who best exemplifies the dignity, maturity, and inner beauty of all Senior Americans; and

WHEREAS, Judith King Barth truly personifies the pageant's philosophy that seniors are the foundation of America, as well as being our most valuable treasure, and that it is upon their knowledge, experience, and resources that the younger generation has the opportunity to build a better society; and

WHEREAS, Judith King Barth is a remarkable lady whose positive philosophy of life statement permeates every aspect of her life: "My life is a gift from God! He made me, gave me the opportunity to know Him, love Him, and serve Him. I love people! My family first! As a wife and mother, I dedicate my life and time to them. The use of my talents and any work that I do must be compatible with family-centered values. As years have moved on, my activities have broadened to spend more time with my extended family, my neighbors, and my community. As long as I live, I will continue to serve in this way, and to live a God-centered life": and

WHEREAS, Judith King Barth came from one of the "First Families" of Tennessee. Judith is an identical twin who spent her formative years in Knoxville, Tennessee, where she and her sister shared the honor of High School Class Valedictorians in 1953. She studied voice and piano, graduated from Bryan College in Dayton, Tennessee, with an English degree, and was awarded Senior Music 1957. Judith married James Barth and lived in Poland, Ohio, for twenty-five years, where they raised their five children; and

WHEREAS, a lady of unwavering purpose and commitment, Judith King Barth and her husband are residents of Dayton, Tennessee, where Mr. Barth has worked at their alma mater, Bryan College, for twenty-four years. They have nineteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Judith King Barth is an elegant lady who has won the admiration of her peers and critics alike by owning and operating her home-based health, beauty, and nutrition business, while allowing time as Area Representative for Stonecroft Ministries, Stonecroft speaker and Bible teacher, and she has performed community service at Grace Bible Church on the decorating team, as a church vocalist, and as a Moms4Moms mentor and teacher; and

WHEREAS, her many accolades and accomplishments aside, Judith King Barth still finds opportunities for performing and enjoying her club memberships: the Dayton Chamber of

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Commerce; the Red Hat Society; Grace Bible Church; and the Dayton/Rhea County Women's Connection, for which she has served as organizer and director in the two states of Ohio and Tennessee for more than forty-nine years; and

WHEREAS, the Rhea County Fair Senior Age of Elegance pageant sponsored Judith King Barth to the Tennessee State Pageant competition, and the Ms. Tennessee Senior America Pageant will sponsor an all-expense-paid trip to the National Ms. Senior America Pageant in Atlantic City, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Judith King Barth traveled with the Bryan College *a cappella* choir as a soloist and with special ensemble groups throughout the United States representing Bryan College; performed with the Youngstown, Ohio, Philharmonic Chorus and as a member of a ladies quartet that entertained throughout Northeastern Ohio; traveled to Moscow, Russia, with a select choir that performed on Easter Sunday in Red Square; hosted a bright, young Russian student from Moscow to come to America to attend Bryan College, where he earned his bachelor's degree in business administration; loves reading, entertaining guests, decorating, and flower arranging, and enjoys local, state, national, political, civic, and charitable activities; and

WHEREAS, Judith King Barth, an exceptional lady, who believes strongly in reaching the stars and helping others to be passionately engaged in life, but who is also firmly grounded in family values, service to others, and the joys of everyday life. Judith King Barth is truly a worthy representative and accomplished ambassador for Tennessee and she should be especially honored; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Judith King Barth upon her meritorious tenure as Ms. Tennessee Senior America 2011, applaud her positive outlook on life and her stalwart commitment to God, family, and community, and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: MAY 19, 2011
BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
RON RAMISEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
APPROVED this day of 2011
BILL HASLAM GOVERNOR